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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Patent Application of	MAIL STOP AMENDMENT		
Olivier Durel et al.	Group Art Unit: 1713		
Application No.: 10/777,075	Examiner: PETER D. MULCAHY		
Filing Date: February 13, 2004	Confirmation No.: 4136		
Title: DIENE RUBBER COMPOSITION FOR) TIRE COMPRISING A SPECIFIC) SILICA AS REINFORCING FILLER			

AMENDMENT/REPLY TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: Enclosed is a reply for the above-identified patent application. X A Petition for Three Month Extension of Time along with the appropriate fee is enclosed. under 37 C.F.R. § 1.20(d) are enclosed. \boxtimes Also enclosed is a Declaration Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.132. П Small entity status is hereby claimed. Applicant(s) requests continued examination under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 and enclose the 🗌 \$395 🔲 \$790 fee due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(e). Applicant(s) requests that any previously unentered after final amendments not be entered. Continued examination is requested based on the enclosed documents identified above. Applicant(s) previously submitted for which on____ continued examination is requested.

, which does not exceed three months from the filing of this RCE, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c). The required fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) is enclosed.

A Request for Entry and Consideration of Submission under 37 C.F.R. § 1.129(a) (1809/2809) is also enclosed.

Applicant(s) requests suspension of action by the Office until at least

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Indep	endent Claims	1	3	0	x \$ 200 (1201)		(
☐ If Amendment adds multiple dependent claims, add \$ 360 (1203)					\$		
Total Claim Amendment Fee					\$	(
☐ Small Entity Status claimed - subtract 50% of Total Claim Amendment Fee						(
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